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FOR FEDERAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION (FDAA)

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SUBJ: VISIT OF FDAA TEAM ON DARWIN CYCLONE EVACUATION
STUDY.

REF: A. STATE 40348.

B. CANBERRA 1134.

C. STATE 26559.

1. IN RESPONSE TO FEB. 25 EMBASSY LETTER EXPLAINING
QUESTIONS WHICH HOPEFULLY WILL BE ANSWERED BY PROPOSED
STUDY (REF A), MC HENRY, DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF NORTHERN TERRITORY, CALLED EMBASSY
MARCH 4 FROM DARWIN TO SUGGEST FDAA VISITORS DISCUSS
QUESTIONS WITH GOA OFFICIALS IN CANBERRA PRIOR TO
VISITING DARWIN. MCHENRY WILL BE IN CANBERRA APPROXI-
MATELY MARCH 7-21 AND HOPES TO MEET FDAA TEAM HERE.
HE ALSO RECOMMENDS VISITORS MEETS HERE WITH HEDLEY
BEAR, WHO PLAYED KEY ROLE IN EVACUATION, AND OTHERS.

2. MCHENRY ASKED FOR FUTHER DETAILS ON FDAA VISIT,
BUT EMBASSY UNABLE TO PROVIDE ANYTHING BEYOND REF C.
SINCE EMBASSY HAS HAD NO RESPONSE TO REF B, WE TOLD
MCHENRY WE STILL ASSUME PARTY WILL CONSIST OF MESSRS.
EDDY, HAAS AND COCHRANE AND THAT ARRIVAL SYDNEY WILL
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BE "ON OR ABOUT MARCH 10."

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE CONFIRM SOONEST NAMES
AND TITLES OF FDAA TEAM AND ETA SYDNEY. UNTIL FURTHER
INFORMATION RECEIVED, NEITHER EMBASSY NOR GOA CAN MAKE
ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISIT.
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